

FIVE-YEAR TERM FOR ENLISTMENT

Mr. Hay Would Increase Term of Military Service—Has Economy Bills.

There is much interest locally in the bill introduced in Congress by Representative James Hay, of this State, who is now chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, providing that enlistment in the regular army shall hereafter be for the term of five years instead of for three years. The feeling is that this is an introduction to similar action later governing the organized militia.

Mr. Hay, now the guiding spirit of the country on army legislation, has a series of bills embodying his ideas on the subject. Some of these have the hearty commendation of the War Department; others have not. His general program is one of economy, and the measure already introduced, for which he is sponsor, will, it is estimated, result in a saving to the nation of \$7,000,000 a year.

In the matter of lengthening the term of enlistment in the army, there would be an estimated saving of \$3,000,000. This would come by reason of the reduction of various allowances made at the time the three-year term was in vogue. Travel allowances, travel pay, re-enlistment bonus and continuous service pay would all be decreased, because they would be awarded less often.

Want Shorter Term. Military men are inclined to oppose Mr. Hay's plan. They have a tendency in the great armies of Europe to shorten the term of enlistment. Recently this has been done in Germany and in France. Some experts want the term shortened to one year. They even go so far as to prohibit re-enlistment save by non-commissioned officers and specialists. Of course, their reason for this position is to gradually bring the country to the point where every able-bodied man shall have at least one year's military training.

One army publication gives a case in point. Napoleon, thinking to break the power of Prussia after the battle of Jena, prohibited an army of larger than 40,000 men. Thereupon one-year enlistments were provided, with the result that within a few years every body was more or less trained.

MUSICAL AND DANCE

Employers' Association of Miller & Rhoads Gives Entertainment. More than 500 people were present last night at a musical and dance, which took place at the Miller & Rhoads building. The affair was for the benefit of the Employers' Association of Miller & Rhoads department store. It was one of the most successful affairs of its kind ever undertaken in Richmond.

Several selections were rendered by the Richmond Mandolin and Guitar Club, while among others who participated in the musical program were the following: Miss Grace Gathright, John J. Reinhardt, Walter S. Jackson and Messrs. Wilkins, Cosby and

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ARMY PLANT IN WARREN

Apparently there is no reasonable doubt that the army remount station authorized by Congress at its last session will be established in Warren county, in this State, not far from Front Royal. The officers who have been in charge of selecting a site have recommended the purchase of 5,000 acres of land in Warren, said to be excellently well suited for the purpose.

It is stated that Captain Caspar H. Conrad, Jr., of the cavalry, now on duty with the quartermaster's department, will be in charge of the remount station. Here horses will be brought and trained for use by the army. The tract will cost about \$250,000.

Held on Serious Charge. On complaint of Miss Virginia Francis, of Church Hill, who charges betrayal, W. L. Sanford, formerly a street car conductor of this city, was arrested in Norfolk yesterday at the request of the local police authorities. The warrant was issued some time ago, and telegrams were sent to several nearby cities. Detective-Sergeant Whitcomb will be sent to Norfolk to bring him back to-day.

WALKER'S CAREER TRACED BY DODD

Lecture on "Lower South" Before War Delivered at Richmond College.

Dr. William E. Dodd, who is professor of American history at the University of Chicago, and was formerly professor of history at Randolph-Macon College, gave the first of a series of two lectures last night at Richmond College on the general theme of "The Lower South on the Eve of the Civil War." The first lecture centered about the life of Robert J. Walker. Dr. Dodd began by calling attention to the conditions of fifty years ago and the present time. There were then two parties, the one having ruled for a considerable period of time, as is the case now. There was then, as now, a strong insurgent movement in the West. A single section then ruled the nation. Then it was the lower South as now it is New England.

The region from Charlestown to New Orleans was not one-tenth cleared, but it was exceedingly productive. That region exported more than \$100,000,000 worth of commodities every year, which was more than that of all the rest of the country. There was an income of more than \$50 per capita, including the slaves, who made up one-half of the population. Such prosperity caused enormous expansion.

It was seen by a body of men, particularly in Mississippi, that more money meant more land, and more land would require more negroes, and thus more negroes would raise more cotton, which in turn would make more money, and so on, as they thought, indefinitely.

Most remarkable among these men was Robert J. Walker, who came to Mississippi from Pittsburg, Pa. He there married a wealthy woman, entered politics and became an expert political boss. In 1853 he began a career of high finance, organizing banks, borrowing money, buying land, etc.

Debts Repudiated. The State of Mississippi was then borrowing money heavily, and at about this time secured several millions from the Rothschilds. But presently the reaction came in the panic of 1857, when the total income of the State would not pay one-fourth of the interest on the State debt. Of course, Walker repudiated his debts. But as it is to reward Walker for his chicanery the people sent him to Congress, where by sheer audacity he

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Davis, who is in almost every respect in contrast with Walker, although he was necessarily associated with him. The public is cordially invited to be present.

MAYOR READY TO HEAR EVIDENCE

Charges Against Cunningham Will Be Taken Up and Witnesses Examined.

Trial of Captain Frank W. Cunningham, on the charge of malfeasance in office, misappropriation of city funds and neglect of duty, will be called before Mayor Richardson this morning at 11 o'clock in the Mayor's office. Captain Cunningham was still reported yesterday as being ill at his home, and it was rumored that his attorneys, Kirk Mathews and O'Flaherty & Fulton, would ask a continuance.

Special Accountant Crenshaw, Deputy Hulco, who is now serving as an interim Collector, Delinquent Tax Collector Woodford and others will be called to testify, and books of the office will be produced, including the original tax bills, which were retained as evidence by direction of the Mayor, when friends of Captain Cunningham made good the shortage.

Pending the outcome of the trial, the canvass for the position to be made vacant in the event of the removal of Captain Cunningham is not so brisk. James B. Wood, superintendent of the penitentiary, who last week claimed to have the election secured, has not determined whether he will withdraw or not. The evident determination of the Council to place the office on a salary basis, and the fact that the appointee at this time would have to go before the people next November, have somewhat dampened the ardor of Mr. Wood's supporters, leaving the incumbent, First Deputy Hulco, as the most prominent man in the field.

Mayor Favors Office.

Mayor Richardson said yesterday that he favored the continuation of the office of Collector, rather than its merger with the office of City Treasurer, as proposed. It is also said that he preferred a commission, somewhat reduced from the present scale, rather than a fixed salary, as an incentive to an active Collector. Members of the Council who have urged the Council to place the office on a salary basis say that the Mayor is misinformed as to the duties of the position, and that it is being a mere receiver of taxes at best, having no more responsible position and no more arduous duties than the receiving teller of a bank. On the other hand, the Collector of Delinquent Taxes has to hunt up delinquents, many of them small tax-payers, and it is of great value, according to these Councilmen, that he be given a special incentive to collect as closely as possible.

The whole question of the fee system will be before the Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform to-night, when the ordinance reducing the scale of commissions to the Commissioner of the Revenue will be under consideration.

Has Best Office in City.

While it is admitted that Mr. Hawkins has probably the most profitable office in the City Hall, yet his friends point out that, unlike that of the Collector, it is a position that demands ability, judgment and business sense and one in which negligence and incompetence might cost the city immense sums in failure to make proper assessments. In this office also, it is argued, there is a certain value in giving the incumbent an incentive in increasing the assessment by giving him a commission, in lieu of a salary.

Mr. Hawkins's friends also point out that, unlike the Collector, who receives a commission on daily collections, the Commissioner of the Revenue makes a certain yearly assessment, and that it would be difficult, if not unfair, to make a cut in his scale of commissions while the annual assessment was in progress. As far back as 1897, former City Attorney Charles V. Meredith gave a written opinion covering the subject, in which he held that the Council might reduce the commissions of the Collector and Commissioner of the Revenue during their terms of office, but that, as the Commissioner is paid a certain annual commission for certain work, begun as soon as possible after the first of February, it is estimated that the commission could not be reduced save at the beginning of the fiscal year. The commission of the City Collector, Mr. Meredith said, could be reduced at any time.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; light north winds, becoming variable.

North Carolina—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; light to moderate north-east winds.

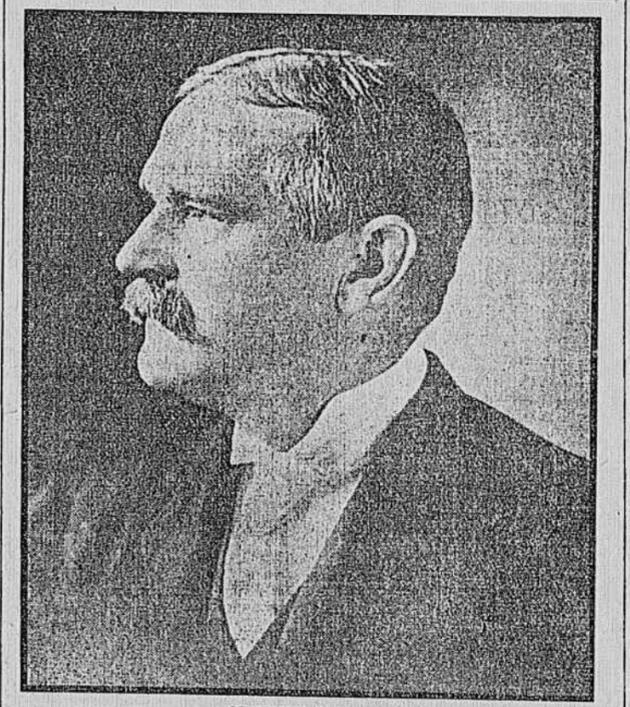
CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

Monday midnight temperature	48
3 P. M. temperature	42
Humidity	90
Wind, direction	N. W.
Wind, velocity	16
Weather	Clear
12 noon temperature	51
3 P. M. temperature	56
Minimum temperature up to	5
P. M.	55
Minimum temperature up to	5
P. M.	38
Mean temperature	48
Normal temperature	42
Efficiency in temperature	12
Deficiency in temperature since	
March 1	293
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1	59
Excess in rainfall since March 1	1.13
Accum. excess in rainfall since January 1	1.40

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place	Ther. H. T.	Weather.
Albany	62	Cloudy
Albino	62	Clear
Augusta	60	Clear
Atlanta	60	Clear
Atlantic City	46	Clear
Boston	52	Clear
Buffalo	35	Clear
Charleston	58	Clear
Chicago	68	P. cloudy
Dayton	64	Clear
Denver	50	Cloudy
Galveston	70	Cloudy
Hartford	62	Clear
Havre	64	Clear
Jacksonville	60	Clear
Kansas City	56	Clear
Knoxville	58	Clear
Leuisville	64	Clear
Memphis	60	Clear
Mobile	68	Clear
New Orleans	60	P. cloudy
New York	64	Clear
Norfolk	50	Clear
North Platte	50	Cloudy
Oklahoma City	60	Clear
Pittsburg	51	Clear
Raleigh	54	Clear
Savannah	56	Clear
San Francisco	60	Cloudy
Spokane	76	Clear
St. Paul	60	Clear
Tampa	66	P. cloudy
Washington	66	Clear
Wilmington	56	Clear
Wytheville	46	Clear

HEAD OF EXPOSITION



CHARLES C. MOORE, of San Francisco, now resident in New York, has been chosen to head the great exposition with which San Francisco will celebrate the opening of the Panama Canal.

came to a position of great prominence. Although reared in the North, he was ready to fight in 1840, for in Congress he said: "Our free institutions we will yield only at the point of the bayonet, and in a struggle we will be found invincible." He wanted to be President, and practically forced Polk to make him Secretary of the Treasury. However, he made an excellent official. His reports were praised as models of their kind. He reformed the tariff and gave us the best tariff, in Dr. Dodd's opinion, we have ever had. He brought Jefferson Davis into political life.

After Walker's term in the Senate was over, there appeared to be nothing big enough for him in Mississippi. He was for a time a departmental lawyer in Washington. Then he proposed to build a railway in Wisconsin, and raised \$1,000,000 for it in England, but not a single tie was ever laid. Though great sums came to him, he spent them recklessly, and soon became poor.

Now, some silver stock given him as a lawyer's fee proved to be a veritable gold mine, and he found himself worth \$500,000 just at the outbreak of the war.

Lincoln recognized his great power and gained Walker's help. Soon Walker was in London squandering his money, living like a royal potentate, and representing to the English people that Jefferson Davis was responsible for the repudiation of the debt of Mississippi. Although Davis had worked to have Mississippi recognize the claims against her, he could not prevent the work of Walker from having its effect. Walker did quite as much as Charles Francis Adams in preventing the recognition of the Confederacy by England. This is the reason why the life of Walker has never been written. He died a pauper in Washington in 1869.

This evening at 8:15 o'clock Professor Dodd will lecture on Jefferson

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